

District Judge Tana Lin

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON  
AT SEATTLE

SOHAIB HAIDER,

Plaintiff,

v.

UR JADDOU,

Defendant.

Case No. 2:24-cv-01513-TL

STIPULATED MOTION TO HOLD  
CASE IN ABEYANCE AND  
~~PROPOSED~~ ORDER

Noted for Consideration:  
December 2, 2024

Plaintiff and Defendant, by and through their counsel of record, pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 6 and Local Rules 7(d)(1), 10(g) and 16, hereby jointly stipulate and move to stay these proceedings until May 29, 2025. Plaintiff brought this litigation pursuant to the Administrative Procedure Act seeking to compel U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (“USCIS”) to schedule an interview and adjudicate his asylum application. Defendants’ response to the Complaint is currently due on December 9, 2024. The parties are currently working towards a resolution to this litigation.

Courts have “broad discretion” to stay proceedings. *Clinton v. Jones*, 520 U.S. 681, 706 (1997). “[T]he power to stay proceedings is incidental to the power inherent in every court to control the disposition of the causes on its docket with economy of time and effort for itself, for

1 counsel, and for litigants.” *Landis v. N. Am. Co.*, 299 U.S. 248, 254 (1936); *see also* Fed. R. Civ.  
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3 Good cause exists to grant the requested stay. With additional time, this case may be  
4 resolved without the need of further judicial intervention. USCIS has scheduled Plaintiff’s  
5 asylum interview for January 29, 2025. USCIS agrees to diligently work towards completing the  
6 adjudication within 120 days of the interview, absent unforeseen or exceptional circumstances  
7 that would require additional time for adjudication. If the adjudication is not completed within  
8 that time, USCIS will provide a status report to the Court. Plaintiff will submit all supplemental  
9 documents and evidence, if any, to USCIS seven to ten days prior to the interview date. Plaintiff  
10 recognizes that failure to submit documents prior to the interview may require the interview to be  
11 rescheduled and the adjudication delayed. If needed, Plaintiff will bring an interpreter to the  
12 interview, otherwise the interview will need to be rescheduled and the adjudication delayed.  
13 Once the application is adjudicated, Plaintiff will dismiss the case with each party to bear their  
14 own litigation costs and attorneys’ fees. Accordingly, the parties request this abeyance to allow  
15 USCIS to conduct Plaintiff’s asylum interview and then process his asylum application.

16 As additional time is necessary for this to occur, the parties request that the Court hold  
17 the case in abeyance until May 29, 2025. The parties will submit a status update on or before  
18 May 29, 2025.

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1 DATED this 2nd day of December, 2024.

2 Respectfully submitted,

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11 *I certify that this memorandum contains 381*  
12 *words, in compliance with the Local Civil Rules.*

**[PROPOSED] ORDER**

The case is held in abeyance until May 29, 2025. The parties shall submit a status update on or before May 29, 2025. It is so **ORDERED**.

DATED this 2nd day of December, 2024.



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TANA LIN  
United States District Judge